

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION	DOCKET No.:	51497
OF: KOLTER ET AL.	CONFIRMATION No.:	5147
SERIAL No. 09/873,431	GROUP ART UNIT:	1618
FILED: JUNE 05, 2001	EXAMINER:	B. M. FUBARA
FOR: A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SOLID ORAL DOSAGE FORMS WITH SUS- TAINED RELEASE OF ACTIVE INGREDIENT		

Honorable Commissioner
for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.113(c)

Sir:

In reply to the final Office action of February 27, 2007, it is respectfully requested that the following request for reconsideration be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above-identified application.

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